

AGENDA**Thursday, October 8, 2020****Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.****Join [Zoom](#) Meeting****Dial in number: 1-312-626-6799****Meeting ID # 983 8502 4268 Passcode: 921691**

- 10:00 a.m.** Call to Order
- 10:05 a.m.** Approval of September 9, 2020 Minutes
- 10:10 a.m.** Rules – **Nancy Freudenberg**

The following amendments to the administrative rules are presented for adoption at the October 8, 2020, Council on Human Services meeting.

R-1. Amendments to Chapters 80, “Procedure and Method of Payment,” Chapter 133, “IV-A. Emergency Assistance Program,” Chapter 172, “Family-Centered Child Welfare Services,” Chapter 175, “Abuse Of Children,” and Chapter 186, “Community Care,” Iowa Administrative Code. (Contracting Rules for Family First Providers) The Family First Act reforms the federal child welfare financing streams. Title IV-E and Title IV-B of the Social Security Act provide services to families who are at risk of entering the child welfare system. A core expectation under the Family First Act is states must employ evidence-based interventions demonstrated to effectively strengthen and preserve connections between children and their family. The primary focus of these services is to prevent removal of a child and placement into foster care. These changes will positively affect the child welfare contractors who successfully bid on contracts as the evidence-based interventions provide clear expectations to fidelity of models used in service provisions.

R-2. Amendments to Chapter 202, “Foster Care Placement and Services,” Iowa Administrative Code. (Foster Care Placement Services). The Family First Act and 2019 House File 644 requires protocols to ensure children being placed in out of home settings are not inappropriately misdiagnosed with mental illness, other emotional or behavioral disorders, medically fragile conditions or developmentally delayed conditions. The rule requires information in case permanency plans for children entering or already in foster care to include efforts to retain existing medical and mental health care providers as well as activities to evaluate service needs.

The following amendments to the administrative rules are presented as Noticed rules.

N-1. Amendments to Chapters 77, “Conditions of Participation for Providers of Medical and Remedial Care,” Chapter 108, “Licensing and Regulation of Child-Placing Agencies,” Chapter 109, “Child Care Centers,” Chapter 113, “Licensing and Regulation of Foster Family Homes,” and Chapter 117, “Foster Parent Training,” Iowa Administrative Code. (Mandatory Abuse Reporter Training)

House File 731 from 2019 requires mandatory child abuse and dependent adult abuse reporter training be completed every three years. Previously training needed to be completed every five years.

N-2 Amendments to Chapter 78, “Amount, Duration and Scope of Medical and Remedial Services,” Iowa Administrative Code. (Automatic Refill Policies for Prescriptions). The proposed rule establishes pharmacy policies and procedures for Medicaid coverage and reimbursement of prescription drug refills through an automatic refill program. Some pharmacies may currently offer this type of program and Medicaid proposes to standardize the requirements to ensure medical necessity and prevent waste.

N-3 Amendments to Chapter 78, “Amount, Duration and Scope of Medical and Remedial Services,” and Chapter 79, “Other Policies Relating to Providers of Medical and Remedial Care.” Iowa Administrative Code. (Policies for Uniform Prior Authorization Process for Medicaid). House File 766 in 2019 required implementation of a uniform prior authorization process. As a result of implementing the uniform process there has been a change in forms and form numbers used to request a prior authorization. The proposed amendments align the rules with the new forms and processing time frames. The rules are also revised to update current practices and processes.

N-4 Amendments to Chapter 155, “Child Abuse Prevention Program,” Iowa Administrative Code. (Family Support Statewide Database). The proposed rule is to modify language around the Department’s use of the Family Support Statewide Database maintained by the Department of Public Health. The current rule requires the Department grantees to input participant data into the system. However, it does not authorize the Department to release the data to other state agencies, including the Iowa Department of Public Health. Proposed rules are necessary given the Department’s roles as a covered entity under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA). There will continue to be a memorandum of understanding with Public Health to address the privacy and security of the Department’s data and to outline the expectations of both parties. The proposed rule will prevent the need for individual patient authorization.

- 10:30 a.m.** Child Abuse Prevention Program Advisory Committee Applicant approval - **Lisa Bender, Prevention Program Manager - ACFS**
- 10:40 a.m.** DHS Derecho Response Update – **Vern Armstrong, Division Administrator, Field**
- 10:45 a.m.** Director’s Report and Family Planning Update – **Director Kelly Garcia**
- 10:55 a.m.** Council Update
- 11:00 a.m.** Adjourn

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